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Title: AUTOMATIC DOCUMENT FEEDER SCANNER WITH A SCANNING
10 MODULE CAPABLE OF POSITIONING ON AN ADF SCAN
POSITION ACCURATELY

To: Commissioner for Patents
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Subject: Information disclosure statement under 37
CFR §1.56

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25 material to patentability under 37 CFR §1.56.
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5 action/notice of allowance, consideration of the information disclosure statement is hereby requested according to 37 CFR §1.97(c). Thus this IDS is accompanied by the fee set forth in § 1.17(p). The item of information contained in the information disclosure
10 statement was first cited in an Office communication mailed on April 27, 2007 for the counterpart Chinese patent application.

According to the requirement set forth in 37 CFR
15 §1.98(a)(2), applicants are submitting a copy of the cited JP 6225066 (published Aug. 12, 1994).

According to the requirement set forth in 37 CFR 1.98(a)(3) and MPEP 609.04(a) III, an English language
20 abstract of JP 6225066 is included herewith to fulfill the concise explanation requirement.

The English language abstract of JP 6225066 downloaded from the European Patent Office website is
25 as follows:

PURPOSE: To improve the operability by providing a mark for read scan test, which discriminates whether setting of an image sensor is proper or not, in the surface part on the document transportation side of a document guide. CONSTITUTION: A feed roll 2 which feeds a document G set on a trailer 1 for document placing into a scanner device and a document guide 3 and document feed rolls 4a and 4b which transport and guide the document G are provided, and marks M for read scan test are provided with a proper gap between them in two prescribed right and left positions of a document guide face 3a on the document guide side of the document guide 3. These marks M for read scan text are provided at a proper read height of an image sensor 6 which successively reads and scans the document picture in the main scanning direction, namely, in the level of the prescribed height H from a reference level V1. Thus, it is unnecessary to set a test chart to a prescribed document read and scan position, and it is easily and efficiently discriminated whether the image sensor is properly set to the scanner device or not.

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application. Applicants sincerely hope that the
examiner initials the cited reference on the form and
5 that a copy of the initialed form be sent to the
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examiner.

10 Respectfully submitted,



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